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Title : **HUMAN PEROXISOME PROLIFERATOR ACTIVATED RECEPTOR  
GAMMA (PPAR $\gamma$ ) GENE REGULATORY SEQUENCES AND USES  
THEREFOR**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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**ELECTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Requirement for Restriction, mailed October 20, 2004, applicant elects, without traverse, Group I, which includes claims 1-19, drawn to an isolated nucleic acid comprising a control region of human PPAR $\gamma$  gene and vectors and host cells comprising the control region and methods of screening agents that modulate PPAR $\gamma$  expression using the control region, for examination on the merits.

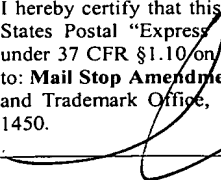
Preliminary to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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